TO: Asst. Community Dev. Dir. THROUGH: Asst. Parks & Recreation Dir.

FROM: Environmental Committee

DATE: September 14, 2016



SUBJECT:

CASE #16-11 - Site Plan review for 1675 Livingston Ave

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the September 7, 2016 Environmental Committee (EC) meeting, members reviewed the Site Plan submitted by the Dakota County CDA to construct an addition to their parking lot at 1675 Livingston Ave. The EC members liked the overall plan and the addition of more off street parking. They agreed with the Assistant Community Development Director's recommendations. They recommend trees be planted in front of the building between the parking lot and Livingston Ave, but not in the right-of-way. The also recommend that a variety of trees be planted that both native tree species and that have a high salt tolerance. Some possible species recommended include Amur Maple, Eastern Red Cedar, and Honeylocust. The EC unanimously voted to approve the site plan, with an additional comment that they strongly encourage the developer to use "pollinator friendly" native plants that were not treated with "neonicotinoids".

RECOMMENDATION:

Environmental Committee members approve the site plan for redevelopment of 1675 Livingston Ave with the recommendations listed above.